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#### Kite, Robin

From:

Scholz, AJ

Sent:

Friday, November 01, 2013 10:16 AM

To:

Kite, Robin

Subject:

RE: Snowmobile Guidelines

Hello Robin,

In speaking with the DNR, they provide their course instructors with a policy handbook, we would like to take a section of language in that handbook and put it into the statutes. Here is what the handbook says

"ATVs and snowmobiles used in optional field exercise must be in good working condition and meet current legal standards such as registration, lighting and noise reduction"

Using that as a starting point, this is what we would like statute to say:

"ATVs, UTVs, and snowmobiles used in field exercise courses must be in good working condition, meet current legal standards such as registration, lighting and noise reduction, and must be equipped with a speed-limiting device."

The intent is to not only put this language into statute, but also to require governors, or some other speed-limiting device, on the training vehicles to prevent accidents during training courses.

Let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

## AJ Scholz

Office of Representative Erik Severson 608-267-2365 221 North, State Capitol

From: Kite, Robin

Sent: Thursday, October 31, 2013 2:40 PM

To: Scholz, AJ

Subject: RE: Snowmobile Guidelines

AJ:

I'm sorry for the delay in responding to your questions. I was out of the office yesterday. The snowmobile safety program is established in the statutes under s. 350.055. The relevant administrative rule is NR 19.50. The statutes provide that for each person who is under the age of 16, the program must include 6 hours of classroom instruction and the instructor may provide an additional 2 hours of instruction on the operation of the snowmobile. There is additional information on DNR's website including links to online courses. Let me know if you have any other questions.

Robin

From: Scholz, AJ

"Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2013 11:19 AM

To: Kite, Robin

Subject: Snowmobile Guidelines

Hello Robin,

I was wondering if you could direct me to current statute relating to snowmobile safety certificate courses. Do we have any laws pertaining to who can administer them, how they have to be organized, that type of information. Or do we just have the requirement in statute that you have to take the course if you are born after a certain date?

Any information you can provide would be greatly appreciated.

**Thanks** 

### AJ Scholz

Office of Representative Erik Severson 608-267-2365 221 North, State Capitol



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AN ACT ...; relating to: snowmobile safety program field training requirements.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

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This bill prohibits a snowmobile safety program instructor conducting a snowmobile safety program from allowing a person taking the instructor's program to operate a snowmobile as part of a field training exercise unless the snowmobile, in addition to meeting the requirements that apply to snowmobiles under current law, is in good working order and is equipped with a speed limiting device.

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under this chapter, is in good working order and is equipped with a speed limiting

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## Kite, Robin

From:

Scholz, AJ

Sent:

Friday, December 06, 2013 9:16 AM

To: Subject: Kite, Robin

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Hello Robin,

Rep Severson wanted to make one addition to the snowmobile legislation. He wanted to specify that the speed-limiting device would restrict the speed of the snowmobile to 15mph. If you could add that into the bill, we would really appreciate it.

Thank you for your help.

## AJ Scholz

Office of Representative Erik Severson 608-267-2365 221 North, State Capitol



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Scholz, AJ

Sent:

Monday, December 16, 2013 8:54 AM

To:

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Subject:

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